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at this stage to indicate the exact time frame for completion of selection for the pending locations.

Complaints Regarding Adulteration and Delay in Supply of LPG in Uttar Pradesh

3016. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had received any complaints against the owners of petrol pumps regarding adulteration of petrol and against the L.P.G. dealers for delay in the supply of L.P.G. cylinders to the consumers in the State of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last two years; and

(c) the action taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Proposal to set up CNG outlets in Bangalore

3017. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the GAIL proposed to set up retail Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) outlets in Bangalore;

(b) if so, the details of the proposed investments to be made; and

(c) whether such CNG outlets would be set up in Hyderabad for running of public transport buses with this environmentally-friendly fuel?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY) (a) No. Madam.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No such proposal is under consideration.

Recruitment of Contract Employees by EIL at Various Sites

3018. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Engineers India Limited has recruited several employees on

contract basis at various sites, namely GAIL Gandhar, NALCO Damanjopi, Digboi, Jamnagar, Loni CCG-II (Palanpur) and GPC Dahej Projects;

(b) if so, the complete details of such contract employees/engineers and the procedure of their appointment;

(c) how many of the engineers were recruited through Press advertisements at the above sites and whether they were subjected, to some test; and

(d) the complete details of their appointment with pay scales, allowances and the competent persons authorised to give appointment letters on behalf of EIL?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY): (a) Yes, Sir. However, these engineers were not recruited specifically for any of these sites.

(b) The details of contract employees/engineers posted at various project sites as of 30.6.2000 are given in statement (*see* below). The posts were advertised in various national newspapers and the contract engineers were recruited mostly through walk-in-interviews. Their selections were made on criteria different from regular recruitment criteria.

(c) All the contract engineers were recruited through press advertisements. At the time of recruitment the candidates did not undertake any test.

(d) The salient terms of their appointment are as follows:-

(i) Appointment is ad-hoc, temporary and contractual.

(ii) Contract appointment is for a period of three years or duration of the project, whichever is earlier, from the date of joining the Company unless the Company decides to retain beyond this period for which the Company gives communication in writing.

(iii) During the period of contract the Company shall have the right to terminate the contract by giving one month's notice in writing or by paying one month's pay in lieu thereof.

(iv) Appointment stands automatically terminated on the expiry of the contractual period.

These Engineers were initially paid consolidated salary of Rs. 6,000 per month (p.m.) at Engineer level and Rs. 8,000 p.m. at Senior Engineer level. With effect from 1.1.1996 their salary was revised to Rs. 8,200 p.m. in case of Engineers and Rs. 9,700 p.m. in case of Senior Engineers. With effect from

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September, 1998, their salaries and perks were further revised and those opted for the revised pay structure were given the salary of Rs. 10,000 p.m. and Rs. 12,000 p.m. at respective levels. In addition, they are given various benefits such as House Rent Allowance/Company leased accommodation and medical reimbursement, etc. At present the total emoluments are approximately Rs. 15,300 p.m. and Rs. 18,000 p.m. at Engineer and Senior Engineer levels respectively.

DGM (HR), EIL was authorised to give appointment letter on behalf of the Company.

Statement

Details of Contract Employees/Engineers posted at various project sites as of 30.06.2000.

CURRENT STRENGTH					
Site	Description	Technical	Non- Technical	Planning Engineer	Total
a	RUNNING JOBS				
	DIGBOI	7		1	8
	BRPL BONGAIGAON	5			5
	FCC HALDIA	5			5
	BARAUNI REFINERY EXPN.	1			1
	GUWAHATIREFINERY				0
	NAL MARKETING TERM.	7			7
	NALCO ZEOLITE PROJ.	1			
	UTKAL ALUMINA PROJ.				1
	NALCO SMELTER, ANGUL	5		1	6
	BPCL MUMBAI	4			4
	IPCL VADODARA	1			1
	ONGC HAZIRA	1			1
	ONGC URAN	3			3
	CPF GANDHAR				0
	OED MUMBAI	3			3
	JNPT MUMBAI				0

Site Description	Technical	Non-Technical	Planning Engineer	Total
GAIL GANDHAR	4	1		5
INSITU COMBUSTION	2			2
DAHEJ VADODARA P/L	1			1
CRT. DAHEJ	12	1		13
SWIL	2			2
GUJARAT REFL., VADODARA				0
MSPF/IOCL MATHURA	6	1		7
LPGGUNA				0
MISC. BLDGS, NEW DELHI	2			2
HPCL VIZAG	12		2	14
MRL EXPANSION PROJ.	2			2
NAGAPATTINAM PROJ.				0
K.G. BASIN P/L				0
COCHIN-KARURP/L	7			7
SUB TOTAL (a)	93	4	3	100
b D.H.S.D. PROJECT				
DHDS, HPCL MUMBAI	3			3
DHDS, VADODARA				0
DHDS, COCHIN	4	0		4
SUB TOTAL (b)	7	0	0	7
c MEGA PROJECTS				
HPL, HALDIA	6	1		7
NUMALIGARH REFINERY	25	1	2	28
NALCO DAMANJODI	18	1	1	20
HPL, PSC				0
EASTERN INDIA REFINERY				0
GPC DAHEJ	14			14
ESSAR OIL REFINERY				0
UPPCAURAIYA	1			1
PANIPAT REHNERY	3	1		4
GREP(HBJ II)	5	1		6
JAMNAGAR-LONIP/L	57	2		59
MRPL.PHASE-II	10		1	11
SUB TOTAL (c)	139	7	4	150

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Site Description	Technical	Non-Technical	Planning Engineer	Total
d. FOREIGN JOBS				
MALAYSIA REFRY/FERT'R				0
NODCO, QATAR				0
FAJR, IRAN				0
ISO-OCTANE, DUBAI				0
SUB TOTAL (d)	0	0	0	0
e CONST. CORDINATION				
H.O. NEW DELHI	1			1
Z.O. CALCUTTA				0
SUB TOTAL (e)	1	0	0	1
f TENDER CELL				
H.Q. TENDER CELL				0
R.O.VADODARA				0
SUB TOTAL (f)	0	0	0	0
g MISC. STAFF				
UNAUTHORISED/LONG LEVEL		1		1
SUB TOTAL (g)	1	0		1
G. TOTAL	241	11	7	259

Reimbursement of cost of stamping of dispensing units

3019. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that BPCL is reimbursing the cost of stamping of dispensing units under Weights and Measures Act to its petrol dealers;

(b) whether other PSUs are discriminating against their dealers and are not reimbursing above said charges; and

(c) by when the other Oil corporations would reimburse the above said charges to their dealers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY): (a) Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) reimburses the cost of stamping of dispensing units under Weights and Measures Act to its petrol dealers wherever the dispensing units are owned by BPCL, once a year.

(b) and (c) IBP Company Limited also reimburses the cost of stamping of dispensing units to its dealers.